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Governor Kathleen Sebelius Announces Acting Secretaries

Governor Kathleen Sebelius completes her Cabinet with the announcement of three acting secretaries

Acting Secretary of Aging Janis DeBoer, 44, Perry

Currently, DeBoer serves as Deputy Secretary and Commissioner of Program and Policy for the Department on Aging.

Governor Sebelius says, "Janis has been in state government for nearly six years, has significant experience in areas of Aging as former Director of Medicaid Operations, in Program and Policy where she oversees the implementation and funding for programs that support the long-term care delivery system to seniors. Her experience will serve us well."

Acting Secretary of Agriculture Greg Foley, 36, Rural Douglas County

"Greg has been the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture the past two years. His entire career has been devoted to agriculture, first with the Kansas Conservation Commission, then as the Livestock Waste Management Program Chief in the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, and finally the Department of Agriculture. He has done a wonderful job thus far and I am certain he will continue as the Acting Secretary," Governor Sebelius says.

Acting Secretary of Juvenile Justice Authority Denise Everhart, 48, Topeka

Governor Sebelius says, "Denise, an attorney in private practice, has spent her entire career on juvenile justice issues. She has been a Pro-Tem Judge for Shawnee County District Court, Division 10. In her private practice Denise has focused on a full range of civil matters, including child in need of care, juvenile offender, and domestic. Denise has worked with the Koch Crime Commission and as an Assistant Adjunct Professor of Law at Washburn Law School. She served in the Kansas House of Representatives from 1988 – 1994. She will be a great addition to our team."

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